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[**Irene van Dyk - Vice-Captain**](http://www.mynetball.co.nz/silver-ferns/player-profiles/1135.html)

Irene van Dyk, Captain of the FastNet Ferns, captained South Africa before making New Zealand home in 2000, and becoming a New Zealand citizen in 2005.

Van Dyk joined the Silver Ferns squad in 2000 and had her debut that same year against Australia in New Castle. She was a member of the victorious Silver Ferns teams at the 2003 World Championship & the 2006, 2010 Commonwealth Games; was named Sportswoman of the Year at the 2004 Halberg Awards; & holds the world record for international test caps while also holding the record as the most capped Silver Fern of all time.

In her 100th appearance for the Silver Ferns on 23 September 2009, the team defeated Australia, van Dyk was named Player of the Match after shooting 33 goals (92%) from 36 attempts.

In the 2009 Queen's Birthday Honours List, van Dyk was appointed a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for her services to netball.

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| **Born** | | 21 June 1972, Vereening, South Africa |
| **Court Positions** | | GS, GA |
| **PLAYING HISTORY** | | |
| **National Squads** | Silver Ferns: 2000-2011  Commonwealth Games Gold Medallist 2006 and 2010 World Championship 2003 FastNet Ferns: 2009, 2011 | |
| **Silver Ferns Debut** | 20 June 2000 vs Australia, at Goal Shoot  Entertainment Centre, Newcastle, NSW, Australia Fisher & Paykel Cup | |
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